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The American Numismatic and Archæological Society of New York.

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CIRCULAR TO MEMBERS.

THE Society desiring to collect and preserve materials in order to enable the Historiographer to prepare and read before it, upon the demise of any member, a memorial of his life, these queries are forwarded to you with the earnest request that they may be answered *in extenso*, and returned without delay.

QUESTIONS.

1 What is your full name? *Answer.*
Archibald London Snowden

2. What were the names of your parents? *A.*
Dr. Isaac Wayne Snowden, Margery Binns London

3. What were the names of your grandparents? *A.*
Rev. Nathaniel Randolph Snowden – Sarah Justice
Archibald London Margery Binns —

4. When and where were you born? *A.*
1807 – Cumberland County Pa —

5. If you are married, give the maiden name of your wife, and her residence, the names of her parents, the date of your marriage, and the place where you were married? *A.* Elizabeth R. Smith – ~~NY~~ 1016 Walnut St – Philadelphia – Isaac R. Smith Caroline New York
Married Feb. 16th 1864 – at ~~NY~~ 1016 Walnut St. Philadelphia

6. If you have had any children, give their names in the order of their birth. *A.*
Caroline S. Snowden – Mary Buchanan & Charles Randolph

7. If any member of your family is deceased, give the name and date of death. *A.*

8. State where you were brought up and educated. *A.*

In Cumberland Co. Pa — Educated at the Newville Academy — Mechanicsburg Institute & Jefferson College —

9. If you were graduated by any college, give the name and class. *A.*

1856

10. State what degrees, if any, have been conferred, and by whom. *A.*

A B Jefferson College

11. State your occupation; and if you are a member of any of the learned professions. *A.* Student at Law — admitted at the Mont Term for over 26 yrs

12. If you have held any public office, either Municipal, State or Federal, state what, when, and for how long. *A.* Registrar U.S. Mint — from 1857 to 1864 — Chief Clerk from 1864 to Jany 1877 — Post Master of Philadª from Jan 97 to March 1879 — Supt U. S. Mint from March 79 to June 30. 1885

13. If you have been connected with any corporations, or other societies, state when and in what manner. *A.* Was President after I resigned Ford Association the 2nd largest insurance Co. in Pa — from '79 to 1884

14. If you have written any book, pamphlet or article which has been printed, state when and where published, and give titles in full, and please furnish copies to the Library of the Society. *A.*

Have written many papers on Ancient Coins & Medals

15. If any biographical sketch of you or history of your family has been printed, please refer to it? *A.* Of my father in the "leading men of the Cumberland Valley" — My Great Grandfather Gurden in some books of my Uncle Son James Rons Gurden in my works — My own biography

16. Give in detail any incidents which have gone to make up the history of your life; acquaintance with distinguished men, etc.; in fact, everything that should be presented in a memorial of your life. *A.*

Will accompany this with a sketch as given in the Print Book — by Col. Bechtel

17. If any of your ancestors or descendants have held important positions of honor or trust, please give details. *A.* My great ~~great~~ Grandfather Gurden was a commissioner under Congress for the sale of Continental money — My great uncle on my Grand Mother Gurden's side was Gen. Wm. Irvine

18. If you can give the name of the first ancestor of the family in this country, please do so. *A.* I can not — My great uncle William Gurden settled in Virginia — His decendent settled in Philadelphia about 1664 & owned land there in 1669 as records show being of the Quaker

NOTE.—Please also send to the Society, for its Album, a photographic likeness of yourself, with your autograph beneath it, if you have not already done so; and donations of anything you may have written will be particularly acceptable, as well as contributions germane to its Library and Cabinets.

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